CHRISTOPHER CHIOU 1 Assistant United States Attorney District of Nevada Nevada Bar No. 13644 3 **BRIANNA SMITH** Assistant United States Attorney Nevada Bar No. 11795 5 501 Las Vegas Blvd. So., Suite 1100 Las Vegas, Nevada 89101 (702) 388-6336 6 Brianna.Smith@usdoj.gov 7 Attorneys for the United States 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 DISTRICT OF NEVADA 10 Case No. 2:21-cv-00677-GMN-NJK 11 James Cobb, an individual, Stipulation to Extend Deadlines 12 Plaintiff, (First Request) 13 v. 14 The United States of America, et al., 15 Defendants. 16 Pursuant to Local Rule 26-4 and Local Rule IA 6-1, the parties respectfully move 17 for a 90-day extension of the remaining deadlines. This is the first request for an extension 18 of time. This stipulation is filed more than 21 days before the next pending deadline in the 19 Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order. 20 A. Discovery completed to date 21 22 The parties have provided Rule 26 disclosures and exchanged written discovery (including interrogatories, document productions), subpoenaed multiple third parties, and 23 otherwise diligently moved forward in this matter. 24 25 **B.** Remaining Discovery The parties anticipate depositions of fact witnesses and expert witnesses. The parties 26 27 are still exchanging documents. The parties will disclose initial and rebuttal expert reports.

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They will continue written discovery including subpoenas to third parties. They will continue to provide supplemental disclosures.

C. Reasons for Requested Extension

The parties attempted to schedule the deposition of the Plaintiff in early December. However, due to scheduling conflicts, the parties canceled, and are currently rescheduling, his deposition. The parties anticipate that all party depositions will be completed by March 2022. Once percipient witness depositions are completed, the parties will take depositions of treating physicians before making initial expert disclosures. Given the rescheduling of depositions, the parties do not have sufficient time to complete the remaining depositions, obtain transcripts, and work with experts to review and incorporate the information into their respective disclosures before the current expert deadline.

Moreover, counsel for Defendant, AUSA Brian Irvin, will be transferring from the District of Nevada on December 23, 2021. The case has since been reassigned to another AUSA. Defendant requires additional time for the newly assigned attorney to review the file and get up to speed before proceeding with further discovery, including the taking of plaintiff's deposition.

Finally, the parties are seeking the 90-day extension because they anticipate difficulty scheduling depositions around the holidays, and they wish to allow sufficient time to complete the necessary discovery. The parties have and will continue to cooperate in conducting discovery and are seeking this extension in good faith and without purpose of delay.

D. Proposed revised discovery schedule

	Current due date	Proposed due date
Add/Amend Parties	December 22, 2021	March 22, 2022
Expert Disclosures	January 21, 2022	April 21, 2022
Rebuttal Expert Disclosures	February 21, 2022	May 23, 2022

1		Discovery Cut-Off	March 22	, 2022	June 22, 2022			
2		Dispositive Motions April 21		2022	July 22, 2022			
3		Pre-Trial Order	May 21, 2	2022	August 22, 2022			
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5	Respectfully submitted this 17th day of December 2021.							
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14	The Court will grant this IT IS SO ORDERED.							
15	stipulation for extension. Given the extended discovery period							
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